

Service Date: December 6, 1989

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT )	UTILITY DIVISION
OF DENNIS D. McDONALD,	)
	)
Complainant,	)
	)
vs.	) DOCKET NO. 84.7.42
	)
NORTHWESTERN TELEPHONE SYSTEMS,	) ORDER NO. 5439
	)
Defendant.	)

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FINAL ORDER

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FINDINGS

On July 27, 1984 Dennis D. McDonald filed a Formal Complaint with the Montana Public Service Commission (MPSC or Commission) against Northwestern Telephone Systems, Inc., regarding the provision of telephone service at the Complainant's ranch house in Flathead County, Montana. Notice of this Complaint was served upon Defendant on August 24, 1984.

An Amended Complaint was filed with the MPSC by Complainant on May 24, 1985.

There has been no formal activity in this docket since the Commission received a letter from the Defendant on June 19, 1985. This matter appears to have been resolved by the parties and no further action by the MPSC appears necessary.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Northwestern Telephone Systems provides regulated telecommunications services within the state of Montana and is a public utility under the regulatory jurisdiction of the MPSC. §§ 69-3-101 and 69-3-803(3), MCA.

The MPSC has the authority to investigate and proceed upon a complaint filed against any public utility. § 69-3-321, MCA.

#### ORDER

The Amended Complaint filed by Dennis D. McDonald herein is hereby dismissed without prejudice.

This docket is closed.

Done and Dated this 4th day of December, 1989 by a 5-0 vote.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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CLYDE JARVIS, Chairman

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HOWARD L. ELLIS, Vice Chairman

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JOHN B. DRISCOLL, Commissioner

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WALLACE W. "WALLY" MERCER, Commissioner

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DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Ann Peck  
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: Any interested party may request that the Commission reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See ARM 38.2.4806.